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9 FAM 41.121 NOTES

1. Changes

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- 9 FAM 41.121 N2.2 Visa To Be Issued or Refused
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- 9 FAM 41.121 N2.3-3 Refusal Letter in 214(b) and 221(g) Cases
- 9 FAM 41.121 N2.3-4 through 10 renumbered
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